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Dear Sirs:

As a U. S. citizen and as a consumer I am served extremely well by a free market. Your continued persecution of businesses and of Microsoft in particular is both economically and morally wrong.

Without Mr. Gates brilliant creation: Microsoft, we all would be computing 20 years in the past. They compete by bring us ever more powerful computing tools and at ever less expensive prices. To viciously attack such a company - attacks begun and continued primarily out of petty jealousy, the inability to compete, and partisan politics - has cost the consumer dearly because Microsoft has been forced to waste incredible assets that could have been used to develop even more great products.

Your unwarranted attacks on Microsoft have cost hundreds of billions of dollars in wealth as the result of their causing the Stock Market to lose a tremendous amount of equity - in short you have contributed to the enormous slide in the entire sector of businesses that includes Microsoft.

Do the right thing and just drop it. Do our country and the economy a huge favor. Kindly desist. Drop the suit without prejudice. This has a precedence in the past with the wrongful IBM suit. Be bold.  
Sincerely,

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